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(CURA-524AE)



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Muralidhara Padigar, et al.  
SERIAL NO.: 10/024,399 Conf. No. 5349 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned  
FILING DATE: December 18, 2001 ART UNIT: 1614  
FOR: NOVEL PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

August 28, 2002  
Boston, Massachusetts

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time to respond to the February 26, 2002 Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. A check in the amount of \$1,960.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(4), is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Ref. No. 21402-224AE (CURA-524AE). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ivor R. Elrifi".

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